

House File 611 - Introduced

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BY HANUSA

A BILL FOR

1 An Act modifying provisions relating to the sale of certain
2 fireworks, and making penalties applicable.
3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 100.19, subsection 4, paragraph c, Code
2 2019, is amended by striking the paragraph.

3 Sec. 2. Section 100.19, Code 2019, is amended by adding the
4 following new subsection:

5 NEW SUBSECTION. 4A. A retailer or community group issued
6 a license pursuant to this section shall only sell consumer
7 fireworks, as described in APA 87-1, chapter 3, within the two
8 calendar weeks immediately preceding the date on which the use
9 of consumer fireworks is permitted, whether pursuant to the
10 dates specified in section 727.2, subsection 4, paragraph "a",
11 or, if applicable, the dates specified by a county or city
12 in an ordinance or resolution adopted under section 331.301,
13 subsection 17, or section 364.2, subsection 6.

14 EXPLANATION

15 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
16 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

17 Current law allows a consumer fireworks seller license
18 holder to sell consumer fireworks between June 1 and July 8
19 and between December 10 and January 3 each year at a permanent
20 building, and between June 13 and July 8 each year at a
21 temporary structure.

22 This bill removes the dates allowed for consumer fireworks
23 sales and instead provides that a consumer fireworks seller
24 license holder shall only sell consumer fireworks within the
25 two calendar weeks immediately preceding the date on which the
26 use of consumer fireworks is permitted, whether pursuant to
27 the dates specified in the Code or, if applicable, the dates
28 specified by a county or city in an ordinance or resolution.

29 Under current law, a person who violates the bill is guilty
30 of a simple misdemeanor. A simple misdemeanor is punishable by
31 confinement for no more than 30 days or a fine of at least \$65
32 but not more than \$625 or by both.